

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 19th, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

PRESENT: Al Thompson, Val DeMartino, JJ Losasso, Elaine Morlan, Pastor Kidd, Stacey Wollet, Lloyd Murray, Beth Lowe and Bill Conkey

ABSENT: Jeff Kulow

DEVOTION: From the “Daily Bread”

*Motion to accept minutes from August 2017, with 2 corrections, by Lloyd Murray and 2nd by Pastor Kidd. Motion was carried

***OLD BUSINESS:**

- Mutual Ministry committee has met and will begin working on updated job descriptions and annual employee evaluations.

***NEW BUSINESS:**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

***CHRISTIAN ED:**

- Elaine requested approval for the “Munch & Paint” fund raiser. It was approved.
- Rally Day the kids will paint prayer stones.
- Youth led services being organized. They will practice monthly and be held twice per year. They plan to use “Drama Moments” to help youth become more comfortable speaking in front of groups
- Elaine asked for donations of candy for a basket for Chinese auction during the Munch & Paint fundraiser.

***COMMUNICATION:**

- They want to update the website. Discussed putting pre-approved highlights of the council meetings on the web site. Elaine suggested putting the upcoming readings and gospel. Sheila has volunteered to help with this project.

***FINANCE:**

- Day care is getting much busier. Bill thinks they now have 20-25 students. They will meet with them to soon to discuss rent and any other issues.
- Stewardship campaign starting soon. Will mail out “Commitment Cards” and Time & Talent” questionnaire.

***PARISH LIFE (Formerly MEMBERSHIP): (Position open Looking for volunteer)**

- WELCA – No report
- Brotherhood – No report
- Mickey Shuster – Val Requested approval for a Chili Dinner fundraiser for Mickey Schuster, it was approved.

***PROPERTY:**

- Council reviewed meeting minutes prior to tonight's meeting.
- Two steam leaks were found during the boiler inspection, both were repaired.
- Stan working on lights in the front bathroom.
- Heater problem in one of the daycare rooms. Prout called for repairs. Also an issue with the heater in the small kitchen. Steam to it turned off and will let heat from Memorial Hall flow into that room.

***OUTREACH (Formerly WELCOME):**

- Council reviewed meeting minutes prior to tonight's meeting.
- Church Picnic reviewed and revised for next year.
- Thanksgiving food baskets are being organized and list of names being reviewed. Donations will be accepted in the coming months.
- Stacey looked into Hurricane Relief and didn't have a lot of success. The Lutheran Relief that we are using is our best bet because almost 100% of the money goes directly to the victims
- As of September 19th we have collected \$1,812.00 for hurricane relief. We think we have a little more coming in, so we should be close to \$4,000.00 total with matching funds from Endowment Fund.

***WORSHIP AND MUSIC:**

- Council reviewed meeting minutes prior to tonight's meeting.
- Reformation service is set.
- Healing/Forgiveness Service is set for October 18th.
- Scott Burns will no longer be able to cover the early service. We will have pastor turn it on and just use the basic settings for that service. Scott will still cover the late service and Christmas & Easter and will do this for no cost to the church.

***PASTOR'S REPORT:**

- Made numerous calls and visits again this month.
- We now have 8 Confirmation students.
- There will be Prayer service on Oct. 29th at 6:00PM at St. Columba Cathedral for all Lutherans and Catholics to pray together.
- There will be a luncheon following the 11:00 service on Reformation Sunday Oct. 29th

***CLOSING:** Closed with the Lord's Prayer at 9:20PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Valerie DeMartino